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In response to the Final Official Action of December 7, 2006, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on March 7, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this Response.